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RE: Social Security at 75

When I retired 22 years ago after teaching for 39 years, I accepted a permanent decrease in my pension check from the California State Teachers' Retirement System so that my husband could continue to draw some of my pension to supplement his Social Security check in case I were to pass away first. We both assumed that if he were to pass away first that I would collect some of his social security money each month. He passed away seven years ago, and when I went to the Social Security office to report his death, I was informed that I was not eligible for any of his Social Security, because I had been a teacher and teachers already receive a government pension. I do not feel that this is fair.